Appendix A Authorizing Legislation

SEC. 54. Teacher Residency Technical Assistance

Section 44415.7 is added to the Education Code, to read:

44415.7.

- (a) For the 2022–23 fiscal year, the sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the commission to select a local educational agency to serve as a statewide technical assistance center to support teacher residency programs, as described in Sections 44415.5 and 44415.6. Preference shall be given to local educational agencies that currently administer residency programs and that commit to partner with commission-approved teacher preparation programs with experience supporting a residency program or residency programs. These funds shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2029.
- (b) The statewide technical assistance center shall collaborate with the commission to develop and disseminate technical assistance. The statewide technical assistance center is encouraged to obtain interest holder feedback to create a statewide framework for successful teacher residency program implementation and sustainability. The framework and technical assistance should leverage and build upon existing technical assistance offerings disseminated by local educational agencies, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, and foundations. Technical assistance offered shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:
 - (1) Information to the field regarding the benefits of establishing residency programs to teacher candidates, local educational agencies, and teacher preparation programs.
 - (2) Best practices in recruitment of residents, particularly residents that represent the diversity of the state's pupil population.
 - (3) Minimizing cost burden to residents, including leveraging Golden State Teacher Grant Program funding pursuant to Section 69617.
 - (4) Best practices in partnership and administration of residency programs between local educational agencies and teacher preparation programs.
 - (5) Scaling up and sustaining residency programs.
- (c) On or before December 31, 2029, the commission shall submit a report to the Governor and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on the impact of the statewide technical assistance center in providing technical assistance to local educational agencies and teacher preparation programs to implement, scale up, and sustain residency programs to support a well-trained and diverse educator workforce.

(d) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be "General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts," as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202, for the 2021–22 fiscal year, and included within the "total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B," as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202, for the 2021–22 fiscal year.